

# HR Professionals Gather for the Inaugural Pennsylvania Diversity Council Talent Summit



The Pennsylvania Diversity Council hosted its inaugural Talent Summit on April 12<sup>th</sup> in Pittsburgh. The half-day learning event was designed to help companies maximize the talents and skills of current employees as well as learn best practices on recruiting a diverse workforce.

“The Pennsylvania Diversity Council Talent Summit was a wonderful opportunity for HR Professionals and recruiters to learn the latest employment branding, recruiting, retention, and engagement trends practiced by model companies with outstanding employee relations,” said Dennis Kennedy, Founder and CEO of the National Diversity Council.

The event began at 8:30 am with registration followed by a

networking reception, allowing attendees to mingle and make invaluable contacts. Following the reception, the summit itself began. Multiple experts were on hand to present on subjects relevant to attracting and recruiting a diverse workforce. Attendees sat quietly in their sessions as they absorbed the wealth of knowledge and information presented. At the end of the event, they walked away with a deeper understanding of the need for diverse workforces, along with the benefits of maintaining them.

“Approximately 40 people attended the event,” said Janet Manuel, President of the Pittsburgh Diversity Council. “This was the first time the council hosted a talent summit, and we were very pleased with the positive feedback from the attendees.”

The National Diversity Council would like to thank the sponsors along with all of the presenters for helping to make the Pennsylvania Diversity Council Talent Summit a rousing success.

#### ***Talent Summit Presenters:***

**Ron Alvarado**  
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Nova Staffing Solutions

**Godfrey Bethea**  
Employment Specialist  
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